

**TOWN OF SHREWSBURY
REPORT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 25, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 P.M. at the Shrewsbury High School Auditorium when Moderator Kevin T. Byrne announced a quorum of town meeting members in attendance. The official checklist showed 172 town meeting members present, including members at large.

As the first order of business the moderator examined the warrant and the constable's return and asked for and received unanimous consent to waive the reading of the warrant.

The moderator led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The moderator acknowledged Philip Hammond who is moving from Shrewsbury after serving as a member of the Shrewsbury Planning Board and as a member of the Board of Selectmen for the last six years.

Congratulations were extended by the moderator to former Shrewsbury Police Lt. James Hurley who has been appointed Chief of Police in the town of Leicester.

Pursuant to the vote of the Board of Selectmen, the moderator announced that he will appoint two town meeting representatives from each precinct to serve as part of a task force committee to review, analyze evaluate and issue a report relating to short and long term revenue and expenses for the town. Town meeting representatives who are interested in appointment to the task force committee were invited to make application to the moderator on or before May 9, 2006.

Retiring School Committee member Kristina Palomba was thanked by the moderator for six years service to the community.

An asterisk indicates recommendation by the Finance Committee.

***Article 1 Fire Station Construction**

The moderator ruled out of order a motion to substantially change the language in Article 1.

Unanimous recommendation of the Finance Committee was read by the chairperson.

VOTED a motion to end debate and vote the printed motion.

VOTED BY STANDING VOTE YES, 151; NO, 6 a motion to appropriate the sum of \$7,400,000.00 to fund the construction of a new fire headquarters on land adjacent to the existing fire station number one including original equipment, to fund the demolition of the existing fire station number one, to fund landscaping, paving and other site and utility improvements incidental or directly related to such construction and demolition, to fund the remodeling, reconstructing or making extraordinary repairs to the existing fire station number two located on Harrington Avenue including original equipment, landscaping, paving and other site improvements incidental or directly related to such remodeling, reconstruction or repair, to fund the construction of a new fire station number three including original equipment on land owned by the Town located on Centech Boulevard, to fund landscaping, paving and other site and utility improvements incidental or directly related to such construction and to fund necessary architectural, engineering or other professional and legal expenses and fees associated with these buildings; to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized and directed to borrow at one time or from time to time the sum of \$7,400,000.00 by issuance and

sale of bonds or notes of the Town in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7(3) and Section 7(3A), as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore; and that a committee consisting of the Town Manager, the Fire Chief, the Superintendent of Public Buildings, a member of the Board of Selectmen and three residents of the Town appointed by the Board of Selectmen is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote, provided, however, that this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by General Laws Chapter 59, section 21C (Proposition 2 _) amounts required to pay the principal of and interest on the borrowing authorized by this vote.

VOTED a motion to adjourn at 9:40 P.M.

ATTEST:

Ann M. Dagle, CMMC
Town Clerk